





# Government Offices of Sweden

## **The Evidence Base for October's High-Level Dialogue:**

## What We Know About Migration & Development

#### June 12, 2013 | UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS

Conference Building, Conference Room-3 (Garden Level)

## **AGENDA**

#### 1:15-1:30 Introduction and Goals

 Kathleen Newland, Director, Migrants, Migration & Development, and Refugee Policy Programs, Migration Policy Institute

#### 1:30-1:45 **Demography and Destiny**

Rainer Münz, Senior Fellow, Hamburg Institute of International Economics;
Head of Research and Development, Erste Group Bank AG

## 1:45-2:45 What We Know About Development Gains from Migration

Remittance flows and diaspora groups can be powerful tools for development. This session will ask what we know about how diasporas and remittances impact development, and how transnational networks and the private sector engagement can multiply the positive impacts of these tools.

<u>Moderator</u>: Rita Claverie Díaz de Sciolli, Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Relations of the Republic of Guatemala

#### **PANELISTS:**

- Dilip Ratha, Manager, Migration and Remittances Unit and CEO, Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development, World Bank
- Kathleen Newland, Director, Migrants, Migration & Development, and Refugee Policy Programs, Migration Policy Institute
- Sonia Plaza, Senior Economist, Economic Policy, Debt, & Trade Department, Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development, World Bank

#### 2:45-3:00 Coffee Break

## 3:00-4:00 What We Know About Labor Migration and Development

This session will explore the evidence base on the impacts and net effects of low- and high-skilled labor migration on development. The discussion will also consider the development gains that arise from circular migration.

Moderator: Imelda Nicolas, Chair, Commission on Filipinos Overseas

#### **PANELISTS:**

- Michael Clemens, Senior Fellow, Center for Global Development
- Graeme Hugo, Director of the Australian Population and Migration Research Centre, University of Adelaide

#### 4:00-5:00 What We Know About New Challenges in Migration Policy

This panel will consider the evidence surrounding some issues that have risen to new prominence in policy discussions. The discussion will focus on the costs of recruitment, the challenges and benefits of protecting migrants' rights, and the relationship between migration and climate change.

Moderator: Michele Klein-Solomon, Permanent Observer to the UN, IOM

#### **PANELISTS:**

- Dovelyn Agunias, Senior Policy Analyst, MPI
- Don Kerwin, Executive Director, The Center for Migration Studies of New York
- Susan Martin, Director, Institute for the Study of International Migration, Georgetown University

## 5:00-6:00 Conclusions: Knowledge, Power, and Institutions: where does "What We Know" lead?

<u>Moderator:</u> Kathleen Newland, Director, Migrants, Migration & Development, and Refugee Policy Programs, Migration Policy Institute

#### **PANELISTS:**

- Minna Ljunggren, State Secretary for Migration and Asylum Policy, Ministry of Justice, Sweden
- Anne Richard, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, U.S. Department of State